

IN THE CLAIMS:

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Claim 8. (Amended) A motor comprising;
a boss having a center hole;
a shaft press-fitted into the center hole;
a sintered bearing for supporting the shaft, in which lubricant oil is contained;
a holder for holding the bearing; and
a blocking wall member, which faces the bearing with a gap having a predetermined width in between for blocking the lubricant oil splashed from the bearing; and
wherein the gap is determined to such an extent that the splashed lubricant oil attached to the blocking wall member and depended therefrom returns again onto an outer circumferential wall of the bearing.

Claim 9. (Amended) The motor as set forth in claim 8, wherein one end face of the boss faces one end face of the bearing; and
wherein an annular recess is formed on the end face of the boss such that an outer circumferential wall of the annular recess serves as the blocking wall member.

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Claim 11. (Amended) The motor as set forth in claim 8, wherein the blocking wall member extends in a direction of which the center hole extends so as to surround the outer circumferential face of the bearing.

Amendment Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111
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Please add the following new claim.

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Claim 13. (New) The motor as set forth in claim 8, wherein the gap is determined to
such an extent that the splashed lubricant oil adheres again onto the outer circumferential wall of
the bearing.